

About the embedding of Moufang loops in alternative algebras II

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Abstract

It is known that with precision till isomorphism that only and only loops $M(F) = M_0(F)/\langle -1 \rangle$, where $M_0(F)$ denotes the loop, consisting from elements of all matrix Cayley-Dickson algebra $C(F)$ with norm 1, and F be a subfield of arbitrary fixed algebraically closed field, are simple non-associative Moufang loops. In this paper it is proved that the simple loops $M(F)$ they and only they are not embedded into a loops of invertible elements of any unital alternative algebras if $\text{char} F \neq 2$ and F is closed under square root operation. For the remaining Moufang loops such an embedding is possible. Using this embedding it is quite simple to prove the well-known finding: the finite Moufang p -loop is centrally nilpotent.

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1 Introduction

For an alternative algebra A with the unit 1 the set $U(A)$ of all invertible elements of A forms a Moufang loop with respect to multiplication [1]. In [2] it is proved that any relative free Moufang loop can be embedded into a loop of type $U(A)$. This gives a positive answer to the question, raised by I. P. Shestakov in [3]. But in [4] E. G. Goodaire raises a broader question: is it true that any Moufang loop can be embedded into a loop of type $U(A)$ for a suitable unital alternative algebra A ? Analogical question for commutative Moufang loops is raised by A. N. Grishkov in the works of Loops'03 Conference (Prague, 2003). A positive answer to Goodaire's question was announced in [5]. Here the answer to this question is negative: in [3] there is constructed an example of Moufang loops which are not embedded into

loops of type $U(A)$. We mentioned that by Theorem from [6] these Moufang loops are simple.

It is known [7, 8] that with precision till isomorphism that only and only loops $M(F) = M_0(F)/\langle -1 \rangle$, where $M_0(F)$ denotes the loop, consisting from elements of all matrix Cayley-Dickson algebra $C(F)$ with norm 1, and F be a subfield of arbitrary fixed algebraically closed field, are simple non-associative Moufang loops. In this paper, which is a continuation of [2], Goodaire's question is completely settled, namely. It is proved that in class of all Moufang loops the simple loops $M(F)$ they and only they are not embedded into a loops of type $U(A)$ of any unitaly alternative algebras A if $\text{char} F \neq 2$ and F is closed under square root operation. The remaining loops can be embedded into loops of type $U(A)$. In particular, any non-simple loops Q can be embedded into a loop $U(FQ)$, where F is an arbitrary field and FQ is the "loop algebra" of Q .

In [9, 10], using the strong apparatus of finite group theory, and quite unwieldy it is proved that the finite Moufang p -loop is centrally nilpotent. In our work, a quite simple proof of this result is stated using the embedding of Moufang loops in alternative algebras. Besides, in the proof only such a fact is used: the alternative F -algebra, generated as F -module by nilpotent generators is nilpotent.

For basic definitions and properties of loops, see [11, 12], of alternative algebras, see [13], and of fields, see [14].

2 Centrally nilpotent loops

Loop $(Q, \cdot) \equiv Q$ is called *IP-loop* if the laws ${}^{-1}x \cdot xy = yx \cdot x^{-1} = y$ are true in it, where ${}^{-1}xx = xx^{-1} = 1$. In *IP*-loops ${}^{-1}x = x^{-1}$ and $(xy)^{-1} = y^{-1}x^{-1}$. The *Moufang loop* is defined by identity

$$(xy \cdot x)z = x(y \cdot xz). \quad (1)$$

Every Moufang loop is an *IP*-loop. The *inner mappings* $T(a), R(a, b), L(a, b)$ are defined by

$$\begin{aligned} T(a) &= L(a)^{-1}R(a), \quad R(a, b) = R(ab)^{-1}R(b)R(a), \\ L(a, b) &= L(ab)^{-1}L(a)L(b), \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

where $R(a)x = xa, L(a)x = ax$. The subloop H of loop Q is called *normal* in Q , if

$$xH = Hx, \quad x \cdot yH = xy \cdot H, \quad H \cdot xy = Hx \cdot y \quad (3)$$

or by (2)

$$T(x)H = H, \quad L(x, y)H = H, \quad R(x, y)H = H \quad (4)$$

for every $x, y \in Q$. The *center* $Z(Q)$ of loop Q is a normal subloop $Z(Q) = \{x \in Q \mid x \cdot yz = xy \cdot z, zy \cdot x = z \cdot yx, xy = yx \ \forall y, z \in Q\}$. If $Z_1(Q) = Z(Q)$, then the normal subloops $Z_{i+1}(Q) : Z_{i+1}(Q)/Z_i(Q) = Z(Q/Z_i(Q))$ are inductively determined. Loop Q is called *centrally nilpotent of class n* , if its *upper central series* has the form $\{1\} \subset Z_1(Q) \subset \dots \subset Z_{n-1}(Q) \subset Z_n(Q) = Q$.

We pass to examining these loops. Let Q be an arbitrary loop and let $a, b, c \in Q$. The solution of the equation $ab \cdot c = ax \cdot bc$ (respect. $c \cdot ba = cb \cdot xa$) is denoted by $\alpha(a, b, c)$ (respect. $\beta(a, b, c)$) and is called the *associator of type α* (respect. *of type β*) of elements $a, b, c \in Q$. The *commutator* (a, b) of elements $a, b \in Q$ is determined by the equality $ab = b \cdot a(a, b)$. By (2) these definitions can be written in the following way:

$$T(b)a = a(a, b), \quad R(b, c)a = a\alpha(a, b, c), \quad L(c, b)a = \beta(a, b, c)a. \quad (5)$$

Lemma 1. *Let N be a normal subloop of IP-loop Q . Then the subloop H , generated by all elements of form $\alpha(n, x, y), \beta(n, x, y), (n, x)$, where $n \in N, x, y \in Q$ is normal in Q and $H \subseteq N$.*

Proof. From (5) we get $\alpha(n, x, y) = L(n)^{-1}R(x, y)n, \beta(n, x, y) = R(n)^{-1}L(x, y), (n, x) = L(n)^{-1}T(x)n$. Subloop N is normal in Q , then by (4) $\alpha(n, x, y), \beta(n, x, y), (n, x) \in N$ for any $n \in N$ and any $x, y \in Q$. Then $H \subseteq N$. Let $h \in H$. By (5) $T(x)h = h(h, x) \in H, L(x, y)h = \beta(h, y, x)h \in H, R(x, y)h = h\alpha(h, x, y) \in H$. Then by (2) $ha \in aH, ha \cdot b \in H \cdot ab, a \cdot bh \in ab \cdot H$. Q is an IP-loop. Thus $a^{-1}h^{-1} \in Ha^{-1}, b^{-1} \cdot a^{-1}h^{-1} \in b^{-1}a^{-1} \cdot H, h^{-1}b^{-1} \cdot a^{-1} \in H \cdot b^{-1}a^{-1}$. Hence $aH = Ha, a \cdot bH = ab \cdot H, Ha \cdot b = H \cdot ab$ for all $a, b \in Q$ and by (3) H is normal in Q . This completes the proof of Lemma 1.

Let Q be an arbitrary loop. We note $Q_0 = Q$ and by induction we determine Q_{i+1} . This is a normal subloop of loop Q , generated by all the expressions $\alpha(n, x, y), \beta(n, x, y), (n, x)$, where $n \in Q_i, x, y \in Q$. Then, again by induction we obtain a series of normal subloops, by Lemma 1

$$Q = Q_0 \supseteq Q_1 \supseteq \dots \supseteq Q_i \supseteq \dots,$$

which we call the *lower central series of loop Q* .

We observe that in [11] the associator $[a, b, c]$ and commutator $[a, b]$ of elements $a, b, c \in Q$ are defined by the equalities $ab \cdot c = (a \cdot bc)[a, b, c], ab = (ba)[a, b]$ for an arbitrary loop Q . Let now Q be a Moufang loop and $a, b, c \in Q$. Loop Q is a IP-loop. Then $ab \cdot c = (a \cdot bc)[a, b, c], (ab \cdot c)[a, b, c]^{-1} = a \cdot bc, [a, b, c]^{-1} = (ab \cdot c)^{-1}(a \cdot bc), [a, b, c]^{-1} = (c^{-1} \cdot b^{-1}a^{-1})(a \cdot bc)$ and by (1) we have $a[a, b, c]^{-1} = a((c^{-1} \cdot b^{-1}a^{-1})(a \cdot$

$bc)) = (a(c^{-1} \cdot b^{-1}a^{-1}) \cdot a)(bc) = ((ac^{-1})(b^{-1}a^{-1} \cdot a))(bc) = (ac^{-1} \cdot b^{-1})(bc)$, i.e. $a[a, b, c]^{-1} \cdot c^{-1}b^{-1} = ac^{-1} \cdot b^{-1}$. Further, $(a[a, b, c]^{-1} \cdot c^{-1}b^{-1})^{-1} = (ac^{-1} \cdot b^{-1})^{-1} = bc \cdot [a, b, c]a^{-1} = b \cdot ca^{-1}$. Then, from here and from the definition of associator of type α or β , it follows that

$$[a, b, c]^{-1} = \alpha(a, b^{-1}, c^{-1}), \quad [a, b, c] = \beta(a^{-1}, b, c). \quad (6)$$

Further, the Moufang loop is di-associative, so $[a, b] = (a, b)$. That is why from the definition of subloop Q_i and (7) we get

Prorosition 1. *The subloop Q_{i+1} ($i = 0, 1, \dots$) of the lower central series of Moufang loop Q is generated by all the associators $[n, x, y]$ and all the commutators $[n, x]$, where $n \in Q_i$, $x, y \in Q$.*

We will call the series of normal subloops $Q = C_0 \supseteq C_1 \supseteq \dots \supseteq C_r = 1$ *central*, if

$$C_i/C_{i+1} \subseteq Z(Q/C_{i+1}) \quad \text{for all } i \quad (7)$$

or, that is equivalent,

$$(C_i, Q)_{\alpha\beta} \subseteq C_{i+1} \quad \text{for all } i, \quad (8)$$

where $(C_i, Q)_{\alpha\beta}$ means a normal subloop of loop Q , generated by all the elements of form $\alpha(u, x, y), \beta(u, x, y), (u, x)$ ($u \in C_i, x, y \in Q$).

Lemma 2. *Let $Q = C_0 \supseteq C_1 \supseteq \dots \supseteq C_r = 1$ be a central series, $\{Z_i\}$ be the upper central series, $\{Q_i\}$ be the lower central series of loop Q . Then $C_{r-i} \subseteq Z_i$, $C_i \supseteq Q_i$, for $i = 0, 1, \dots, r$.*

Proof. We have $C_0 = Q = Q_0$. Suppose that $C_i \supseteq Q_i$. By (8) $(C_i, Q)_{\alpha\beta} \subseteq C_{i+1}$. But then $Q_{i+1} = (Q_i, Q)_{\alpha\beta} \subseteq (C_i, Q)_{\alpha\beta} \subseteq C_{i+1}$. We suppose now that $C_{r-i} \subseteq Z_i$ for a certain i . Then loop Q/Z_i is the homomorphic image of loop Q/C_{r-i} with kernel Z_i/C_{r-i} . But by (7)

$$C_{r-i-1}/C_{r-i} \subseteq Z(Q/C_{r-i}),$$

where from it follows that the homomorphic image of subloop C_{r-i-1}/C_{r-i} must lie in the center $Z(Q/Z_i)$. It is clear that this image is the subloop $(C_{r-i-1} \cup Z_i)/Z_i$, while $Z(Q/Z_i) = Z_{i+1}/Z_i$. Consequently, $C_{r-i-1} \subseteq C_{r-i} \cup Z_i \subseteq Z_{i+1}$, as required.

Prorosition 2. *Loop Q is centrally nilpotent of class n if and only if its upper or lower central series have respectively the forms*

$$1 = Z_0 \subset Z_1 \subset \dots \subset Z_n = Q, \quad Q = Q_0 \supset Q_1 \supset \dots \supset Q_n = 1.$$

Proof. The statement of theorem for upper central series follows from the definition of centrally nilpotent loop. Further, if a central series of length n exists, then from Lemma 2 it follows that the lengths of the upper and lower central series do not exceed n . But as there is a term by term inclusion between the elements of these series, their lengths are equal, and the series have the indicated form, as required.

3 Moufang loops and alternative algebras

By analogy to Lemma 1 from [2] it is proved.

Lemma 3. *Let A be an alternative algebra and let Q be a subloop of $U(A)$. Then the restriction of any homomorphism of algebra A upon Q will be a homomorphism on the loop. Hence any ideal of A induces a normal subloop of Q .*

Let L be a free Moufang loop, let F be a field and let FL be a loop algebra of loop L over field F . We remind that FL is a free module with basis $\{g|g \in L\}$ and the multiplication of elements of the basis is defined by their multiplication in loop L . Let $(u, v, w) = uv \cdot w - u \cdot vw$ denote the associator of elements u, v, w of algebra FL . We denote by I the ideal of FL , generated by the set

$$\{(a, b, c) + (b, a, c), (a, b, c) + (a, c, b) | \forall a, b, c \in L\}.$$

It is shown in [2] that algebra FL/I is alternative and loop L is embedded (isomorphically) in the loop $U(A)$. Further we identify the loop L with its isomorphic image in $U(FL/I)$. Without causing any misunderstandings, like in [2], we will denote by FL the quotient algebra FL/I and call it "loop algebra" (in inverted commas). Further, we will identify the field F with subalgebra $F1$ of algebra FL , where 1 is the unit of loop L .

Let now Q be an arbitrary Moufang loop. Then Q has a representation as a quotient loop L/R of the free Moufang loop L by the normal subloop R . Sums $\sum_{g \in L} \alpha_g g$, are elements of algebra FL , where $\alpha_g \in F$. Let us determine the homomorphism η of alternative F -algebra FL by the rule: $\eta(\sum_{g \in L} \alpha_g g) =$

$\sum_{g \in L} \alpha_g Rg$. Sums $\sum_{q \in Q} \alpha_q q$, are elements of algebra $\eta(FL)$. We denote $\eta(FL) = FQ$ and the alternative algebra FQ will be called "loop algebra" (in inverted commas) of loop Q . Let now H be a normal subloop of Q and let $\{u_i\}$ be a full representative system of the cosets Q/H . Then any element y in FQ can be presented in the form

$$y = x_1 u_1 + \dots + x_s u_s, \quad (9)$$

where $x_i = \sum_{h \in H} \alpha_h^{(i)} h$.

We denote by ωH the ideal of "loop algebra" FQ , generated by the elements $1 - h$ ($h \in H$). Let φ be the homomorphism $Q \rightarrow Q/H$ of loops and we consider the homomorphism $\bar{\varphi}$ of algebra FQ defined by the rule: $\bar{\varphi}(\sum_{q \in Q} \alpha_q q) = \sum_{q \in Q} \alpha_q \varphi(q)$. If $h \in H$ then $\bar{\varphi}(g(1 - h)) = \varphi(g)(1 - \varphi(h)) = 0$, i.e.

$$\omega H \subseteq \text{Ker} \bar{\varphi}. \quad (10)$$

Moreover, it is true.

Lemma 4. *Let H be a normal subloop of Moufang loop Q . Then $h \in H$ if and only if $1 - h \in \omega H$.*

Proof. If $q \notin H$, then $Hq \neq H$ and $\bar{\varphi}(1 - q) = H - Hq \neq 0$. Hence $1 - q \notin \text{Ker} \bar{\varphi}$. But by (10) $\omega H \subseteq \text{Ker} \bar{\varphi}$. Then $1 - q \notin \omega H$. This completes the proof of Lemma 4.

Lemma 5. *Let H be a proper normal subloop of Moufang loop Q and let $\bar{\varphi}$ be the homomorphism of "loop algebra" FQ induced by H . Then the following statements are equivalent:*

- 1) $\omega H \subset \text{Ker} \bar{\varphi}$;
- 2) there exists an element $y \in \text{Ker} \bar{\varphi}$ such that in representation (9) there exists such an element $x_i = \sum_{h \in H} \alpha_h^{(i)} h$ that $\sum_{h \in H} \alpha_h^{(i)} \neq 0$;
- 3) $\text{Ker} \bar{\varphi} = FQ$.

Proof. 1) \Rightarrow 2). Let $y \in \text{Ker} \bar{\varphi}$ and we suppose that in representation (9) $\sum_{h \in H} \alpha_h^{(i)} = 0$ for $i = 1, \dots, s$. Then $x = \sum_{h \in H} \alpha_h^{(i)} h = -\sum_{h \in H} \alpha_h^{(i)} (1 - h) + \sum_{h \in H} \alpha_h^{(i)} = -\sum_{h \in H} \alpha_h^{(i)} (1 - h)$. Hence $x_i \in \omega H$, and $y \in \omega H$ as well. But this contradicts the strict inclusion $\omega H \subset \text{Ker} \bar{\varphi}$. Hence for some i $\sum_{h \in H} \alpha_h^{(i)} \neq 0$.

2) \Rightarrow 3). We denote by \bar{u} the image of $u \in FQ$ in $FQ/\text{Ker} \bar{\varphi}$. It is clearly that if $\bar{a} = \bar{0}$ for some $a \in Q$ then $\text{Ker} \bar{\varphi} = FQ$. Let (9) be such a representation of element y of item 2) that the number s of representatives u_i is minimal. We denote $\beta_i = \sum_{h \in H} \alpha_h^{(i)}$ and let $i = 1$. Then $\bar{0} = \bar{\varphi}(y) = \bar{\varphi}(x_1) \bar{\varphi}(u_1) + \dots + \bar{\varphi}(x_s) \bar{\varphi}(u_s) =$

$\sum_{h \in H} \alpha_h^{(1)} \varphi(u_1) + \dots + \sum_{h \in H} \alpha_h^{(s)} \varphi(u_s)$, $\beta_1 \varphi(u_1) = -\beta_2 \varphi(u_2) - \dots - \beta_s \varphi(u_s)$, $\varphi(u_1) = \gamma_2 \varphi(u_2) + \dots + \gamma_s \varphi(u_s)$ ($\gamma_i = -\beta_i/\beta_1$), $Hu_1 = \gamma_2 Hu_2 + \dots + \gamma_s Hh_s$, $u_1 = \gamma_2 h_2 u_2 + \dots + \gamma_s h_s u_s$. We substitute in (9) the expression obtained for h_1 . If $s > 1$ we get that the element y has a representation of type (9) with less representatives than s . But this contradicts the minimum of number s . Hence $y = \beta_1 u_1$. But $\bar{y} = \bar{0}$. Then $\text{Ker } \bar{\varphi} = FQ$.

3) \Rightarrow 1) follows from Lemma 4 as the subloop H is proper. This completes the proof of Lemma 5.

Lemma 6. *Let H be a proper normal subloop of free loop L , let $\bar{\varphi}$ be the homomorphism of "loop algebra" FL induced by H and let $\omega H \subset \text{Ker } \bar{\varphi}$. If I_1, I_2 are proper ideals of algebra $FL/\omega H$ then $I_1 + I_2$ is also proper ideal of $FL/\omega H$.*

Proof. As $\omega H \subset \text{Ker } \bar{\varphi}$ then ωH is a proper ideal of FL and by Lemma 5 $FL/\omega H$ is a non-trivial algebra. By Lemma 3 ωH induces a normal subloop $R \subset H$ of loop L and $F(L/R) = FL/\omega H$. Let $L/R = Q$. Again by Lemma 3 the ideals I_1 and I_2 induce normal subloops K_1 and K_2 of Q respectively. I_1 and I_2 are proper ideals of FQ , then by Lemma 5 $\omega K_1 = I_1$ and $\omega K_2 = I_2$. Any element x in FQ has the form $x = \sum \alpha_i q_i$, where $\alpha_i \in F$, $q_i \in Q$. If $x \in \omega K_1$, then from definition of ideal ωK_1 it follows that $\sum \alpha_i = 0$. Analogically, if $y \in \omega K_2$ and $y = \sum \beta_j q_j$ then $\sum \beta_j = 0$. Hence any element z in $\omega K_1 + \omega K_2$ has a form $z = \sum \gamma_k q_k$ with $\sum \gamma_k = 0$. Hence $\omega K_1 + \omega K_2 \neq FQ$, thus $I_1 + I_2$ is a proper ideal of FQ . This completes the proof of Lemma 6.

Lemma 7. *Let Q be a Moufang loop, let $Q = L/H$, where L is a free Moufang loop and we suppose that $FQ = FL/\omega H$. Then the loop Q can be embedded into a loop of invertible elements $U(FQ)$.*

Proof. In accordance with [2] we consider that L is a subloop of $U(FL)$ of "loop algebra" FL . By Lemma 3 the ideal ωH of FL induces a normal subloop R of $U(FL)$ and $F(L/R) = FL/\omega H$. Hence L/R is a subloop of $U(FL/\omega H)$. Let $\bar{\varphi}$ be a homomorphism $FL \rightarrow F(L/R)$ induced by homomorphism $L \rightarrow L/R$. By (10) we have $\omega R \subseteq \text{Ker } \bar{\varphi}$. But $\text{Ker } \bar{\varphi} = \omega H$ and $FL/\omega H$ is a non-trivial algebra. Then by Lemma 5 $\omega R = \text{Ker } \bar{\varphi}$ and by Lemma 4 from $\omega R = \omega H$ it follows that $R = H$. This completes the proof of Lemma 7.

Let F be a field. Let us consider a classical matrix Cayley-Dickson algebra

$C(F)$. It consists of matrices of form

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & \alpha_{11} \\ \alpha_{21} & \alpha_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (11)$$

where $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in F$, $\alpha_{12}, \alpha_{21} \in F^3$. The addition and multiplication by scalar of elements of algebra $C(F)$ is represented by ordinary addition and multiplication by scalar of matrices, and the multiplication of elements of algebra $C(F)$ is defined by the rule

$$\begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 & \alpha_{12} \\ \alpha_{21} & \alpha_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 & \beta_{12} \\ \beta_{21} & \beta_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1\beta_1 + (\alpha_{12}, \beta_{21}) & \alpha_1\beta_{12} + \beta_2\alpha_{12} - \alpha_{21} \times \beta_{21} \\ \beta_1\alpha_{21} + \alpha_2\beta_{21} + \alpha_{12} \times \beta_{12} & \alpha_2\beta_2 + (\alpha_{21}, \beta_{12}) \end{pmatrix},$$

where for vectors $\gamma = (\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3)$, $\delta = (\delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3) \in A^3$ $(\gamma, \delta) = \gamma_1\delta_1 + \gamma_2\delta_2 + \gamma_3\delta_3$ denotes their scalar product and $\gamma \times \delta = (\gamma_2\delta_3 - \gamma_3\delta_2, \gamma_3\delta_1 - \gamma_1\delta_3, \gamma_1\delta_2 - \gamma_2\delta_1)$ denotes the vector product. Algebra $C(F)$ is alternative. It is also split and quadratic over F , i.e. each element $a \in C(F)$ satisfies the identity

$$a^2 - t(a)a + n(a) = 0, n(a), t(a) \in F$$

and admits composition, i. e.

$$n(ab) = n(a)n(b)$$

for $a, b \in C(F)$. Track $t(a)$ and norm $n(a)$ are defined by the equalities $t(a) = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2$, $n(a) = \alpha_1\alpha_2 - (\alpha_{12}, \alpha_{21})$.

We denote $M_0(F) = \{u \in C(F) | n(u) = 1\}$. It follows from the relation $n(ab) = n(a)n(b)$ that if $a, b \in M_0(F)$ that $ab \in M_0(F)$. Further, for $a \in M_0(F)$ $a^2 - t(a)a + 1 = 0$, $-a^2 + t(a)a = 1$, $a(-a + t(a)) = 1$, i. e. a has an inverse element in $M_0(F)$. Therefore $M_0(F)$ is a loop. We denote $U(C(F)) = U(F)$. Analogically it is proved that $U(F) = \{a \in C(F) | n(a) \neq 0\}$. Moufang identities hold in alternative algebras, hence $U(F)$ is a Moufang loop. If $u, v \in U(F)$ then from the relation $n(uv) = n(u)n(v)$ it follows that the mapping $u \rightarrow n(u)$ is a homomorphism of the loop $U(F)$ upon F . The inverse image of $1 \in F$ is $M_0(F)$. Hence $M_0(F)$ is a normal subloop of $U(F)$. Let $Z(U)$ denote the center of $U(F)$ and $Z(M_0)$ denote the center of $M_0(F)$. In [6] is proved that $Z(M_0) = U(F) \cap Z(U)$, $Z(M_0)$ is generated by element -1 and $Z(F)$ be made of all matrices of form (11) for which $a_1 = a_2 \neq 0$, $\alpha_{12} = \alpha_{21} = 0$. Then to within an isomorphism $M_0(F)/Z(M_0)$ is a normal subloop of $U(F)/Z(U)$, $M_0(F)/Z(M_0) \cong U(F)/Z(U)$ if and only if

$U(F) = M_0(F)Z(U)$ and this will be true if the field F is closed under the square root operation. This means that the equation $x^2 - a = 0$ is solved in F for all $0 \neq a \in F$. Obviously, this equation is solved in the field of real numbers, in the field of complex numbers and is unsolved in any simple field, i.e., in the field of rational numbers and in the finite field $FG(p)$, $p \neq 2$. We also mention that in [6] there is constructed a Cayley-Dickson division algebra over the field of all formal power series $\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} a_k t^k$ with real coefficients and n is either positive, negative, or zero, for which the equation $x^2 - a = 0$ is unsolved. Let now F be an arbitrary field and $a \in F$. If a is not a square in F then the polynomial $x^2 - a$ doesn't have a square in F , hence it is irreducible. We suppose that $\text{char} F \neq 2$. Then the polynomial $x^2 - a$ is separable as $a \neq 0$ and if α is its square, then the extension $F(\alpha)$ is Galois. Its Galois group G is cyclic of order 2. The order of G coincides with the degree of extension $[F(\alpha) : F]$. The numbers ± 1 are square roots of the unity element and they belong only to F . Then it follows from [14, pag. 216] that for $\text{char} F \neq 2$ the square extension of field F is equivalent with connection of the square root of some element of F . Consequently, the field F is closed under square root operation if and only if $\sqrt{a} \in F$ for some $a \in F$.

Let now $FG(p^n)$ be a finite field, where $p \neq 2$. We consider the simple field $FG(p)$ as basic for $FG(p^n)$. Let G be a Galois group of extension $FG(p^n)$ over $FG(p)$. Then G will be a cyclic group of order n . Let $n = m_1 \dots m_k$ be a decomposition of n in prime factors. Then G has such a composition series $1 = G_0 \subset G_1 \subset \dots \subset G_{m_k} = G$ that G_i/G_{i-1} , $i = 1, \dots, m_k$, is a cyclic group of order m_i . By the main theorem of Galois theory chain of subfields of field $FG(p^n)$ corresponds to it, where each next item has the degree m_i over the preceding one. It follows from the aforementioned reasonings that *a finite field $FG(p^n)$, $p \neq 2$, is closed under square root operation if and only if the exponent n is an even number.*

We denote $M(F) = M_0(F)/Z(M_0)$. It takes place.

Lemma 8. [7, 8]. *Let P be an algebraically closed field. Only and only the loops $M(F)$ of the matrix Cayley-Dickson algebra $C(F)$, where F is a subfield of field P are with precise till isomorphism non-associative simple Moufang loops.*

Theorem 1. *Let P be an algebraically closed field and let F be a subfield of P . The simple loops $M(F)$ they and only they are not embedded into a loop of type $U(A)$ of any unitaly alternative algebras A if $\text{char} F \neq 2$ and F is closed under square root operation. The remaining loops can be embedded into a loop of type $U(A)$. In particular, any non-simple loop Q can be embedded into a loop $U(FQ)$, where F is an arbitrary field and FQ is the "loop algebra" of Q .*

Proof. Let Q be an arbitrary Moufang loop. Q has a representation $Q = L/H$, where L is a free Moufang loop. Let F be an arbitrary field and let P be the algebraic closing of F . We consider the inclusion (10). It can be divided in two cases: a) $\omega H = \text{Ker}\bar{\varphi}$; b) $\omega H \subset \text{Ker}\bar{\varphi}$. If the case a) holds then by Lemma 7 Q can be embedded into loop $U(FQ)$ of "loop algebra" FQ .

Now we suppose the case b) holds. By Lemma 5 ωH is a proper ideal of FQ and by Lemma 3 ωH induces a normal subloop $R \subset H$ of $U(PQ)$. We denote $\bar{Q} = Q/R$ and let S be the ideal of $P\bar{Q}$, generated by all proper ideals J_i of algebra $P\bar{Q}$. Let us show that S is also proper ideal of algebra $P\bar{Q}$. Indeed, ideal S is the subgroup of additive group of algebra $P\bar{Q}$, consisting of all possible finite sums $\sum \alpha_j u_j$, where $\alpha_j \in P, u_j \in J_i$. Let us suppose that for any elements $x \in \bar{Q}$ in $P\bar{Q}$ there is such a finite number of ideals J_i , that $x \in \sum J_i$. The algebra $P\bar{Q}$ is generated as a P -module by elements $x \in \bar{Q}$. Then $\sum J_i = P\bar{Q}$. But this contradicts Lemma 6. Therefore this case is impossible.

Let us now consider the second possible case. Let there exist be such ideals J_1, \dots, J_k that for element $1 \neq a \in \bar{Q}$ $a \in \sum J_i$ and let us suppose that for element $b \in \bar{Q}$ $b \notin \sum J_i$. We denote by T the set of all ideals of $P\bar{Q}$, containing the element a , but not containing the element b . By Zorn's Lemma there is a maximal ideal I_1 in T . We denote by I_2 the ideal of algebra $P\bar{Q}$, generated by all proper ideals of $P\bar{Q}$, that don't belong to ideal I_1 . Then $S = I_1 + I_2$ and by Lemma 6 S is a proper ideal of $P\bar{Q}$.

By Lemma 3 S induces a normal subloop H of loop \bar{Q} . We denote $\bar{\bar{Q}} = \bar{Q}/H$. The ideal S is proper, then by Lemma 5 $P\bar{\bar{Q}} = P\bar{Q}/\omega H$ and the loop $\bar{\bar{Q}}$ is embedded into a loop $U(P\bar{\bar{Q}})$. The alternative algebra $P\bar{\bar{Q}}$ is simple and P is an algebraically closed field. Then by Kleinfeld Theorem it is a matrix Cayley-Dickson algebra over its center. In [7, 8] is proved that the loop $\bar{\bar{Q}}$ is isomorphic with a loop $M_0(F)$ for an appropriate subfield F of P and the loop Q is isomorphic with loop $M(F) = M_0(F)/\langle -1 \rangle$. From Lemma 8 it follows that if case b) holds thus the loop Q is simple and if the case a) holds thus the loop Q is non-simple.

We consider the case b). If $\text{char} F = 2$ then the loop $Q \cong M(F)$ is embedded into a loop $U(F\bar{\bar{Q}})$. For $\text{char} F \neq 2$ we consider the subcases: c) F is not closed under square root operation; d) F is closed under square root operation. If the case c) holds then as is indicated before Lemma 8 to within an isomorphism Q is a proper normal subloop of $U(F)/Z(U)$. Hence $U(F)/Z(U)$ is a non-simple loop and by case a) $U(F)/Z(U)$ can be embedded into a loop of type $U(A)$. Then and the loop Q can be embedded into a loop of type $U(A)$. If the case d) holds then $\sqrt{2} \in F$ and repeating almost word by word the proof of Theorem 1 from [3] it is proved that the simple Moufang loop $Q \cong M(F)$ is not embedded into a loop of type $U(A)$ for any unital alternative algebra A . This completes the proof of Theorem 1.

Corollary 1. *In the class of finite Moufang loops the simple Moufang loops $M(F)$, where $F = FG(p^n)$, $p \neq 2$, $n = 2k, k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, they and only they are not embedded onto a loop of invertible elements of any unitaly alternative algebra.*

Proof. This statement follows from the remark made before Lemma 8 and Theorem 1.

Let Q be an arbitrary non-simple Moufang loop with set of generators $\{g_1, g_2, \dots, g_i, \dots\}$ and let L be the free Moufang loop with set of free generators $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_i, \dots\}$. Then $Q = L/H$. Temporarily, by FL , FQ we denote the loop algebras and by \overline{FL} , \overline{FQ} we denote the "loop algebras" of loop L , Q respectively. Let I be the ideal of FL generated by set $\{(a, b, c) + (b, a, c), (a, b, c) + (a, c, b) | \forall a, b, c \in L\}$ and let J be the ideal of FQ generated by set $\{(u, v, w) + (v, u, w), (u, v, w) + (u, w, v) | \forall u, v, w \in Q\}$. The "loop algebra" \overline{FL} we defined as $\overline{FL} = FL/I$, not the "loop algebra" \overline{FQ} we defined differently, as $\overline{FQ} = FQ/\omega H$. However it take place.

Prorosition 3. *Let Q be a non-simple Moufang loop. Then $\overline{FQ} = FQ/J$.*

Proof. We suppose that a loop K is embedded into a loop of type $U(A)$ for some algebra A . Below the isomorphic image of K in $U(A)$ we identify with K . Then, according to the Theorem 1 $Q \subseteq U(\overline{FQ})$ and any element in \overline{FQ} has a form of finite sum $\sum_{q \in Q} \alpha_q q$. By definition, the algebra FQ is a free F -module with basis $\{q | q \in Q\}$. Then the mappings $q \rightarrow q$ induce a homomorphism $\mu : FQ \rightarrow \overline{FQ}$. \overline{FQ} is an alternative algebra, then $J \subseteq \text{Ker} \mu$. Thus, the homomorphism μ induces the homomorphism $\varphi : FQ/J \rightarrow \overline{FQ}$.

Further we denote by \overline{g}_i the image of generators g_i of Q under the homomorphism $FQ \rightarrow FQ/J$. Let $\eta : FL \rightarrow FQ/J$ be the homomorphism defined by mappings $x_i \rightarrow \overline{g}_i$. It follows from definition of loop algebra that FQ/J is an alternative algebra. Thus $I \subseteq \text{Ker} \eta$ and η induces homomorphism $\xi : FL/I \rightarrow FQ/J$. The loop L is non-simple. Then by Theorem 1 $L \subseteq U(\overline{FL})$. We have also shown that $Q \subseteq U(\overline{FQ})$. We have $Q = L/H$. Thus $1 - H \subseteq \text{Ker} \xi$ or $\omega H \subseteq \text{Ker} \xi$. Then the homomorphism ξ induces a homomorphism $\psi : \overline{FL}/\omega H \rightarrow FQ/J$. Not $\overline{FL}/\omega H = \overline{FQ}$. Hence we have a homomorphism $\psi : \overline{FQ} \rightarrow FQ/J$ which together with homomorphism $\varphi : FQ/J \rightarrow \overline{FQ}$ show that φ, ψ are an isomorphisms. This completes the proof of Proposition 3.

Let Q be a loop Moufang, let F be an arbitrary field and let FQ be the "loop algebra". As in [2] the ideal of FQ generated by set $\{1 - q | \forall q \in Q\}$ will be called

"augmentation ideal" of FQ and will be denoted by ωQ . It is easily to see that $\omega Q = \text{Ker}\varphi$, where φ is the homomorphism of FQ upon F determined by rule $\varphi(\sum_{q \in Q} \alpha_q q) = \sum_{q \in Q} \alpha_q$.

Prorosition 4. *Let Q be a non-simple Moufang loop, let H, H_1, H_2 be its normal subloops, let F be an arbitrary field and let FQ and ωQ are respectively "loop algebra" and "augmentation ideal" of Q . Then*

- 1) FQ is generated as F -module by set $\{q \in Q | \forall q \in Q\}$,
- 2) ωQ is generated as F -module by set $\{1 - q | \forall q \in Q\}$,
- 3) $\omega Q = \{\sum_{q \in Q} \lambda_q q | \sum_{q \in Q} \lambda_q = 0\}$,
- 4) $FQ/\omega H \cong F(Q/H), \omega Q/\omega H \cong \omega(Q/H)$,
- 5) if the elements h_i generate the subloop H , then the elements $1 - h_i$ generate the ideal ωH ; if $H_1 \neq H_2$, then $\omega H_1 \neq \omega H_2$; if $H_1 \subset H_2$, then $\omega H_1 \subset \omega H_2$; if $H = \{H_1, H_2\}$, then $\omega H = \omega H_1 + \omega H_2$,
- 6) $F \cap \omega \overline{Q} = 0, F\overline{Q} = F + \omega \overline{Q}$.

Proof. 1). It follows from Theorem 1 and Proposition 3.

2). As $(1 - q)q' = (1 - qq') - (1 - q')$, then the "augmentation ideal" ωQ is generated by the elements of form $1 - q$, where $q \in Q$.

3). Denote $R = \{\sum_{q \in Q} \lambda_q q | \sum_{q \in Q} \lambda_q = 0\}$. Obviously, $\omega Q \subseteq R$. Conversely, if $r \in R$ and $r = \sum_{q \in Q} \lambda_q q$, then $-r = -\sum_{q \in Q} \lambda_q q = (\sum_{q \in Q} \lambda_q)1 - \sum_{q \in Q} \lambda_q q = \sum_{q \in Q} \lambda_q(1 - q) \in \omega Q$, i.e. $R \subseteq \omega Q$. Hence $R = \omega Q$.

4). The relation $F(Q/H) \cong FQ/\omega H$ is the case a) of proof of Theorem 1. The mapping $\varphi : FQ \rightarrow F(Q)/\omega H$ keeps the sum of coefficients then by 3) from the first relation follows the second relation of 4).

5). Let elements $\{h_i\}$ generate subloop H and I be an ideal, generated by the elements $\{1 - h_i\}$. Obviously $I \subseteq \omega H$. Conversely, let $g \in H$ and $g = g_1 g_2$, where g_1, g_2 are words from h_i . We suppose that $1 - g_1, 1 - g_2 \in I$. Then $1 - g = (1 - g_1)g_2 + 1 - g_2 \in I$, i.e. $I = \omega H$. Let $H_1 \neq H_2$ and $g \in H_1, g \notin H_2$. Then by Lemma 4 $1 - g \in \omega H_1$, but $1 - g \notin \omega H_2$. If $H = \{H_1, H_2\}$, then by the first statement of 5) $\omega H = \omega H_1 + \omega H_2$.

6). From case a) of proof of Theorem 1 and Lemma 5 it follows that $\omega Q \neq FQ$. We define the homomorphism of F -algebras $\varphi : F\overline{Q} \rightarrow F$ by the rule $\varphi(\sum \alpha_q q) = \sum \alpha_q$. We have that $\text{Ker}\varphi = \omega Q$. Then $FQ = F + \omega Q$ and by 3) $\omega Q \cap F = 0$. This completes the proof of Proposition 4.

4 Finite Moufang p -loops

Lemma 9. [11]. *If Q is a simple Moufang loop, the order of every element of Q divides the order of Q .*

Lemma 10. *Any finite Moufang p -loop Q can be embedded into a loop $U(FQ)$ of "loop algebra" FQ .*

Proof. If Q is a non-simple loop then by Theorem 1 Q can be embedded into a loop $U(FQ)$. Let now Q be a simple p -loop. By Lemma 8 Q is isomorphic with loop $M(F) = M_0(F)/\langle -1 \rangle$. $\langle -1 \rangle$ is cyclic group of order 2. Let $1, a_1, \dots, a_7$ the the canonical basis for $C(F)$. Then $a_i \in M_0(F)$ and as $a_i^2 = -1$ thus $M(F)$ contains 2-elements. By Lemma 9 $M(F)$ is 2-loop. Then $\text{char} F = 2$ and by Theorem 1 Q can be embedded into a loop $U(A)$, where A is an algebra of type FQ . This completes the proof of Lemma 10.

If A is a arbitrary F -algebra, then its n degree A^n is F -module with a basis, consisting of products of any its n elements with any brackets distribution. Algebra A is called *nilpotent* if $A^n = (0)$ for a certain n .

Lemma 11. *Let Q be a finite Moufang p -loop and F be a field of characteristic p . Then the "augmentation ideal" ωQ of "loop algebra" FQ is nilpotent.*

Proof. In accordance with Lemma 10 we consider that $Q \subseteq FQ$ and we used 1) of Proposition 4. If $g \in Q$, then by Lemma 9 $g^k = 1$, where $k = p^n$. We have $(1 - g)^k = 1 - \binom{k}{1}g + \dots + (-1)^i \binom{k}{i}g^i + \dots + (-1)^k g^k$. All binomial coefficients $\binom{k}{i}$ can be divided by p , therefore $(1 - g)^k = 1 + (-1)^k g^k$. If $p = 2$, then $(1 - g)^k = 1 + g^k = 0$, because F is a field of characteristic 2. But if $p > 2$, then $(1 - g)^k = 1 - g^k = 0$. Then to the algebra ωQ one can apply the statement: any alternative F -algebra, generated as F -module by a finite set of nilpotent elements, is nilpotent [18, pages 144, 408]. Consequently the "augmentation ideal" ωQ is nilpotent, as required.

Let now A be an alternative F -algebra with unit 1 and B be a subalgebra from A , satisfying the law

$$x^m = 0. \tag{12}$$

Then $1 - B = \{1 - b | b \in B\}$ will be a loop and $(1 - b)^{-1} = 1 + b + \dots + b^{m-1}$. We note $\sum x = 1 + x + \dots + x^{m-1}$. We remind that inscription $(a, b, c) =$

$ab \cdot c - a \cdot bc, (a, b) = ab - ba$ mean the associator and commutator in algebra, but $[a, b, c] = (a \cdot bc)^{-1} \cdot (ab \cdot c), [a, b] = a^{-1}b^{-1} \cdot ab$ are associator and commutator in IP -loop.

Lemma 12. *Let A be an alternative algebra with unit 1 and B its subalgebra, satisfying the law (18). Then for $u, v, w \in B$ $[1 - u, 1 - v, 1 - w] = 1 - ((1 + w + \dots + w^{m-1})(1 + v + \dots + v^{m-1}) \cdot (1 + u + \dots + u^{m-1}))(u, v, w), [u, v] = (1 + u + \dots + u^{m-1})(1 + v + \dots + v^{m-1})(u, v).$*

Proof. We denote $1 - u = a, 1 - v = b, 1 - w = c$. Then we have $[1 - u, 1 - v, 1 - w] = (a \cdot bc)^{-1}(ab \cdot c) = (a \cdot bc)^{-1}(ab \cdot c) - (a \cdot bc)^{-1}(a \cdot bc) + 1 = 1 + (a \cdot bc)^{-1}(a, b, c) = 1 + (((1 - w)^{-1} \cdot (1 - v)^{-1})(1 - u)^{-1})(1 - u, 1 - v, 1 - w) = 1 - ((1 - w)^{-1}(1 - v)^{-1} \cdot (1 - u)^{-1})(u, v, w) = 1 - ((1 + w + \dots + w^{m-1})(1 + v + \dots + v^{m-1}) \cdot (1 + u + \dots + u^{m-1}))(u, v, w)$. The second equality is proved by analogy.

Lemma 13. *Let Q be a Moufang loop and let the "augmentation ideal" ωQ be nilpotent. Then loop Q is centrally nilpotent.*

Proof. It follows from the definition of the "augmentation ideal" that $Q = Q_0 \subseteq 1 - \omega Q$. We suppose that $Q_{i-1} \subseteq 1 - (\omega Q)^i$. Then it follows from the Proposition 1 and Lemma 12 that $Q_i \subseteq 1 - (\omega Q)^{i+1}$. Algebra ωQ is nilpotent and we suppose that $(\omega Q)^{k+1} = (0)$. Then $Q_k = 1$ and by Theorem 1 and Proposition 1 loop Q is centrally nilpotent, as required.

It follows from Lemmas 11 and 13.

Prorosition 5. *Any finite Moufang p -loop is centrally nilpotent.*

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